

The State of Utah

Department of Natural Resources

Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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# **Inspection Report**

Permit Number:	C0070016		
Inspection Type:	COMPLETE		
Inspection Date:	Tuesday, September 21, 2004		
Start Date/Time:	9/21/2004 9:30:00 AM		
End Date/Time:	9/21/2004 3:30:00 PM		
Last Inspection:	Wednesday, August 18, 2004		

Inspector: Joe Helfrich, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: partly cloudy windy 75
InspectionID Report Number: 416

Accepted by: whedberg

11/2/2004

Permitee: MOUNTAIN COAL CO
Operator: MOUNTAIN COAL CO

Site: GORDON CREEK 2, 7 & 8 MINES

Address: HC 35 BOX 380, HELPER UT 84526

County: CARBON

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: RECLAIMED

Current A	Acreages	Mineral Ownership	Types of Operations		
180.00	Total Permitted	✓ Federal	✓ Underground		
34.88	Total Disturbed	☐ State	Surface		
	Phase I	☐ County	☐ Loadout		
	Phase II	<b>✓</b> Fee	Processing		
	Phase III	Other	Reprocessing		

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The purpose of this site visit was to conduct a complete inspection of the Gordon Creek reclaimed site. No off site impacts were noted.

Inspector's Signature

Joe Helfrich, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 1

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

Date

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Monday, September 27, 2004

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## REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
- a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
  b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	✓		<b>✓</b>	
2.	Signs and Markers	✓		✓	
3.	Topsoil	<b>V</b>			
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<b>V</b>			
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	<b>V</b>		✓	
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<b>V</b>			
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<b>V</b>		✓	
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	<b>V</b>		<b>✓</b>	
5.	Explosives		<b>V</b>		
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches		<b>V</b>		
 7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments		<b>✓</b>		
8.	Noncoal Waste	<b>✓</b>			
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	<b>V</b>			
10.	Slides and Other Damage	~			
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation		<b>V</b>		
12.	Backfilling And Grading		<b>V</b>		
13.	Revegetation	<b>V</b>		<b>V</b>	
14.	Subsidence Control		<b>✓</b>		
15.	Cessation of Operations		<b>✓</b>		
	a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<b>V</b>			
16.	o Roads: Drainage Controls	<b>V</b>			
17.	Other Transportation Facilities		<b>V</b>		
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations	<b>V</b>			
19.	AVS Check		<b>V</b>		
20.	Air Quality Permit		<b>V</b>		
21.	Bonding and Insurance	<b>V</b>		<b>✓</b>	
22.	Other		<b>✓</b>		

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## 1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

The permit for this reclaimed site was renewed effective August 28, 2004. A phase II bond release application for the reclaimed area has been prepared for submittal to the Division.

## 2. Signs and Markers

The signs located at the access at the end of the county road were in good repair and contained the required information.

## 4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

The second quarter 2004 pond inspections for the 2, 7, & 8 Sediment Pond and Jacobs Pond pond indicated that the ponds were stable and showed no signs of structural weakness. The ponds were inspected on June 7, 2004.

#### 4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring

Hard copies of the second quarter monitoring data were reviewed. Sampling was completed on 5/30 and 6/23/04. The data has been entered into the database.

## 4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations

The UPDES permit is valid through April 30, 2008. The DMR's were current through August 2004 reporting no discharge for those time periods.

#### 13. Revegetation

The thistle plants previously noted had been sprayed.

## 21. Bonding and Insurance

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company holds the \$641,443.00 bond. St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company carries a \$500,000 general liability coverage that expires 07/31/2005.